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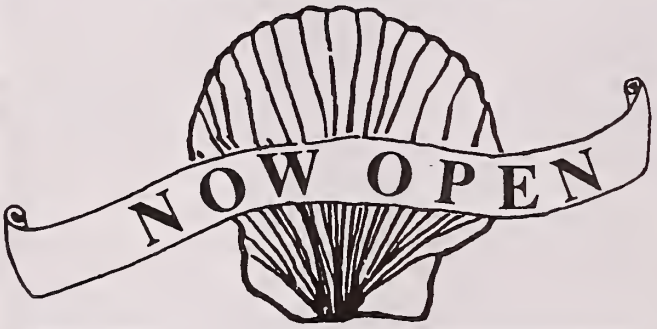

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Dickens' Classic Tale Parallels Contemporary Holiday

By Kenneth J. Souza

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Due to a busy schedule, it takes some time every year for me to "get in the spirit" of the season, so-to-speak. But I do look forward to that relaxing winter evening at home, curling up with a mug of hot chocolate while delving into one of the most enduring literary classics.

There's something about the Holiday season — Christmas, in particular — which brings out distinctive traits of each Dickens character in everyone. Although it's seldom that you'll come across a person who is wholly Scrooge or every bit as downtrodden and sickly-sweet as Bob Cratchit, there are little glimpses of each which surface on or near every twenty-fifth of December.

Take that recent afternoon shopping excursion to the local mall as an example. As is to be expected, the parking lot is full and as you are about to turn into an empty space near the front entrance after circling the area for a half hour, a little sports car sweeps in ahead of you.

Now, you could display all the panache and good-nature of the Ghost of Christmas Present and wish that fellow shopper a "Merriest Christmas," but you're more likely to turn livid and grumble that the ignorant louse be "buried with a stake of holly through his heart."

A very eloquent, but not very nice sentiment.

Or when a local charity comes calling either at home or at a social function, there's always the temptation to shunt them away like crotchety old Ebenezer and groan that there are plenty of workhouses and prisons to accommodate those less fortunate than we.

But in your heart, you feel compassionate and wonder about the sudden burst of anger.

And there are those little nostalgic pangs which strike when you, like the quaint members of the Cratchit family, get together with seldom-seen

The Wander staff would like to take this moment to wish you and yours a happy holiday season.

Cover Photo: *The Marion Town House lit up for the holiday season.*

Publisher's Note

The Wanderer Staff will be on vacation from December 25 to December 29; there will be no issue published on January 1. Regular publication will resume on January 8, 1993.

The deadline for all information for the January 8, 1993 issue is Monday, January 4, at 11:30 am.

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But there are those moments of comfort and joy to experience while talking to a younger cousin, nephew, or grandchild. Unlike you, they still believe in the unknown. Yes, Virginia, there *is* a Santa Claus ... but he's not a round little man in a red suit. He's your father, uncle or next door neighbor with a stack of pillows for a belly trying to do a good deed.

Finally, when the day arrives for which people have been preparing for weeks, you witness the dichotomy that is Christmas — the routine "thank you" from a relative who only seems to be going through the motions contrasted with the grateful, wide-eyed smile on the face of a child who opens his first Christmas gift.

I often wonder whether the opening of another Charles Dickens creation, *A Tale of Two Cities*, could also have applied to his Christmas classic.

It was the best of times, it was the worst of times.

Is it all really worth it, you ask?

After all is said and done and you sit amidst a clutter of torn wrapping paper, leftover turkey and spiked egg nog, remember that morning after when Scrooge tore open the shutters of his bedroom and inhaled a fresh breath of morning Christmas air.

"I shall honor Christmas in my heart ... each and every day of the year."

Like the central character in this famous yuletide novel, we witness the true meaning of Christmas past, present and future every December. Our "ghosts" may not rattle chains or wail in the night, but they make themselves known when we least expect it.

And for that reason alone, I too look forward to taking that breath of fresh air on Christmas morning.

A heartfelt Season's Greetings to you and yours.

Mattapoisett Selectman Paul Lambalot and Selectman Chairman John N. DeCosta present a citation to former Assistant Building Inspector Joseph Sullivan for his decade of service to the staff and residents of Village Court.

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Exclusive: Interview with a Reindeer

By Kevin Porter

Editor's Note: These excerpts were taken from a much more in-depth interview and condensed for publication here. The actual transcript has been lost, leaving only this as proof of having actually spoken with Blitzen, one of Santa's favorite reindeer.

Wanderer: So, Mr. Blitzen, on the other 364 days, what do you do?

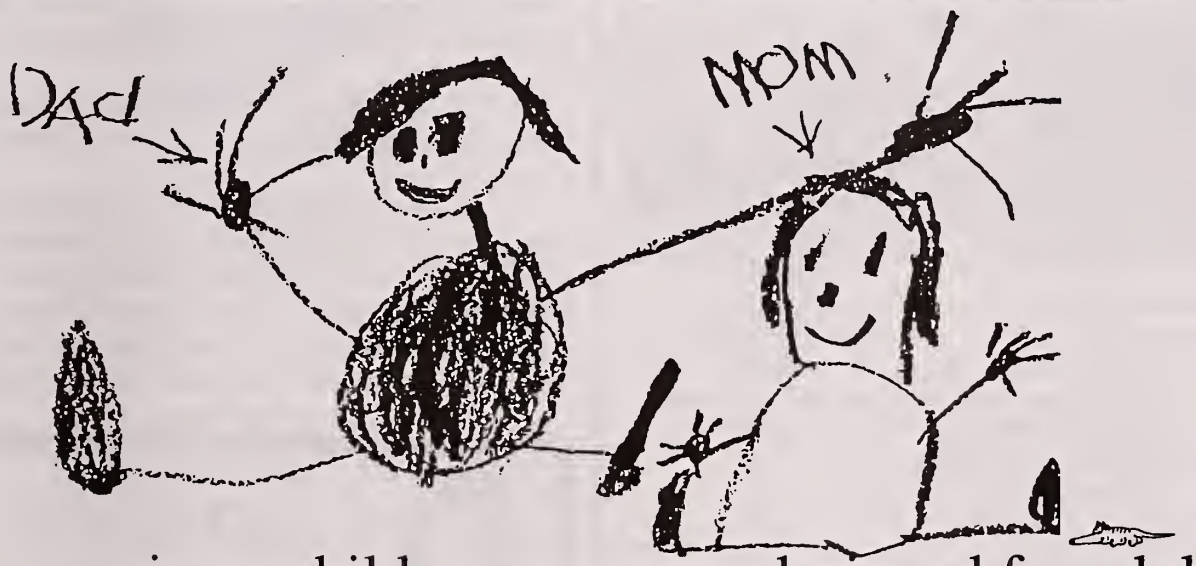
Blitzen: Practice, practice, practice. And sleep. I can't say enough about proper rest.

W: Now everybody knows you visit the entire world on Christmas night. But what about Antarctica?

B: Well, now, that's a different story. You see, in Antarctica it is light — 24 hours in a row, in fact — for some time. It's hard to fly in there unseen, and, well ... sometimes we have to wait until a heavy snowstorm.

That means, usually, we have to drive hard all the way, find it not snowing enough, leave and visit the rest of the world, and come back and finish them off last. And if you think that's not bad enough, we then have to wing it lickety-split back to the North Pole, non-stop, before first light.

W: And we thought this was all fun and



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B: Fun, yes. Games, well ... sometimes it's a little trying.

W: What do you mean?

B: Well, it's not that bad ... but, you see, it's all this increased mass transit. I mean, in the '70's, it was bad enough dodging all that commercial traffic. Now, with this private-plane explosion we've seen in recent years, there's all this aerial nonsense to skip around. To say nothing of all the ultralights — and gyrocopters! But then, most of those only fly by day.

W: So what would you consider to be your biggest problem?

B: You mean with the whole kit-n-kaboodle?

W: Yes.

B: I would have to say the agnostics. On the whole, we're doing quite well and the disbelievers have always been in the minority. We can only hope that there's always some people who believe. Mr. Santa says as long as one little girl believes, he'll still be there for her. (Or him.) I think our chances are pretty good, myself.

W: About this being everywhere at once, I've always wondered — how do you do it?

B: Well, now you've opened up a whole other can of worms. That's getting a little existential. I mean, are we everywhere at once, or nowhere at all? It's all relative. I'd say, just accept it and move on.

W: All right then. It's getting late, and I'll wrap this up quick. Could you tell us a little about Rudolph?

B: Rudy? One of a kind. Simply marvelous. If there was one reindeer that I'd pick to be lost in a storm with, it would be Rudy. I mean, what a level head! It can be blinding snow, zero visibility, crosswinds and the like — and Rudy just hunkers down, shrugs his shoulders and digs in. He's great.

W: What about that light?

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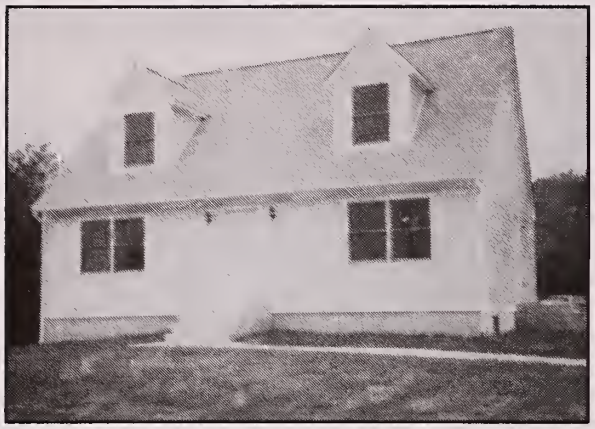

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B: You mean the nose? Well, now, we can't know everything. If I were to tell the world about that, it would take away some of the mystique ... and besides, we're all bonded.

W: I guess that about wraps this up. I'd like to thank you, Mr. Blitzen, for flying on down and talking with us on such short notice. Speaking on behalf of all the believers, I would like to say thank you very much. And, of course, Merry Christmas.

B: I'll be spending Christmas with my hooves in a tub of hot water, thank you very much. But happy holidays to you all just the same.

Adoptable Animals

Merry Cat-mas

Welcome to the holiday edition of our weekly segment on adoptable pets in the tri-town area, brought to you by the local chapter of Animal Umbrella, Inc.

Five of six new kittens offered here last week will be having a special holiday after having been placed in area homes over the weekend. The two kittens left at a bus stop in Rochester were also placed in a home with a child to look over each of the pair!

But alas, the group's work is never done as new arrivals include three bob tail kittens, each very different and adorable — a perfect last minute Christmas or New Year's gift. Besides a mug of hot chocolate and a roaring fire, there's nothing better to keep you warm on a cold winter evening than a cuddly little kitten of your very own.

Also up for adoption are a brother and sister pair, each yellow with long hair and both have been neutered and are up-to-date on all their health records. The owners are moving on December 29 and these cats must be adopted quickly or ... you know the rest of the story.

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Animal Umbrella, Inc. would like to take this opportunity to thank all those who assisted with and took advantage of their dog food offer last weekend and also to thank those who donated to the cause.

The drive was very successful, but due to the nearness of the holidays, some people did not make it on Saturday. As a result, the group is still offering the remaining cases of food. If you are interested in getting some of this top quality Hills Science Diet Lite dog food which was mistakenly given to the Animal Umbrella, Inc., please call either Mary Lou Kobak (758-9202) or Priscilla Thompson (758-2896).

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Another "thank you" to all those who responded to the group's Christmas Wish List last week. The group appreciates your support and would like to remind everyone that you can also make a Christmas donation to the Umbrella to help keep the cattery warm and supplied during the cold winter months ahead.

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Mattapoisett Selectmen's Meeting

December 22, 1992

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After unanimously approving the minutes of the December 15 meeting as submitted, the board signed payrolls, bills, licenses, and permits for the week.

Selectman Mahoney next moved to approve a request from ComGas to disturb the surface of 26 Old Marion Road for the purpose of installing a new gas service at the location. The motion was seconded and made unanimous by the rest of the board.

Chairman DeCosta cited that there were no meetings scheduled throughout the upcoming week and on Thursday, December 24, Town Hall will close at 11:30 am so employees can attend a Christmas Party in the afternoon. Town Hall will reopen for regular business on Monday, December 28.

Under incoming correspondence for the week, a notice was received from Nat T. Mule, General Manager of SEMASS, informing the board that the mandated testing cost for 1993 will remain at 49 cents per ton. This cost is pursuant to the requirements of the Waste Acquisition Agreement and will remain in effect for a term from January 1, 1993 to December 31, 1993.

Mr. Frank M. Suzan submitted a letter to the board commending town employee Henri Renauld for assisting him during an accident he was recently involved in. According to Mr. Suzan, on December 12 at about 10:00 in the morning, his car skidded on the slushy, unplowed road and ended up on an embankment. After many cars passed him without offering assistance, a Mattapoisett Water Department truck pulled up and Henri Renauld jumped out to assist.

Mr. Suzan wanted to publicly say thank you and express his appreciation for being a good Samaritan.

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Lee Craver, President of the Marion/Mattapoisett/Rochester Housing Co-Op, Inc. next sent a letter to the board advising them that the Soft Second Mortgage Program has made good progress in recent months. The group, however, is looking to make some modifications in the way the existing funding process is determined by the state. Mr. Craver said the committee will be meeting in January to further discuss new approaches to maximize the award monies and will also be meeting with Representative Barney Frank to seek his assistance.

There being no appointments scheduled, no Selectmen's Discussion items or a report from the Executive Secretary, Selectman Mahoney moved to adjourn for the evening, which was seconded by Selectman Lambalot and made unanimous by Chairman DeCosta.

The board adjourned at 7:12 pm to enjoy some well-deserved holiday cheer.

Before formally retiring for the evening, however, resident John Atkinson stood up and asked that the board rescind their previous decision to allow local liquor establishments to remain open until 3:00 am on New Year's Eve.

Calling the decision a way of "snubbing your nose at MADD and other groups," Mr. Atkinson went on to say that the decision will open the door to implicating the town — along with the person who serves the liquor — to a law suit if an accident occurs.

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paper,'" he said.

Mr. Atkinson asked that if the board is going to stand by their decision, that they at least require each establishment to have last call one hour before closing.

Chairman DeCosta, after explaining that standard procedure is to have last call at least 20 - 30 minutes before closing time, said the board is going to stand by their decision.

"There are a lot of businesses which are hurting now, and New Year's Eve is one night they can benefit from," he said.

Although Mr. Atkinson had some other issues to discuss, Selectman Lambalot pointed out that the meeting had been adjourned, and if he wanted ample time to discuss other issues, he should contact Ms. Adams prior to the meeting to be placed on the weekly agenda.

Mr. Atkinson, after suggesting this was a way for the board to keep him from speaking, wished everyone a Merry Christmas and departed.

Marion Selectmen's Meeting

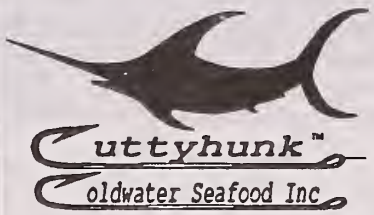
December 22, 1992

By Chandra Dewing

A meeting of the Marion Board of Selectmen was called to order on Tuesday, December 22 at 7:05 pm by Chairwoman Loretta B. Schaefer. Also present were Selectman Edwin "Ted" Pratt Jr., Selectman James S. Dougall and Executive Secretary Ray E. Pickles.

Elizabeth L. Beardsley and John Boyd expressed their thanks in a letter to Robert C. Zora and the Department of Public Works (DPW) for quickly responding to the runoff problem on Briggs Terrace. They performed a splendid, non-disruptive job completing the storm drains on Friday, December 11, just in time for the ensuing rainstorm.

Andrew J. Santos, Associate Superintendent for Business, wrote to the board regarding the labor and materials that Robert C. Zora supplied to the Old Rochester Regional (ORR) School District which



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James C. Hadfield, Director of Highway Planning reviewed the elderly housing project on Mill Street and came up with the following:

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- There should not be a problem with illegal left turns near the site onto Mill Street, but could occur if the site access was located close in proximity to Wells Road (perhaps within 100 feet).
- Mill Street shall not be considered for two-way traffic, but if there are any problems with that proposal, it can be discussed.

The water levels in the sewerage lagoons are up to the base of the catwalks and are being pumped at the rate of one mg/day. Ray E. Pickles will authorize Robert C. Zora to bypass sand filters and surcharge the affluent line to discharge a maximum flow if necessary.

As a result of the re-examination by the Division of Marine Fisheries of specific waters of Cape Cod and Buzzards Bay, the areas will be re-opened. These areas were originally closed on December 11 - 13, 1992 due to heavy rainfall and severe winds from the northeast storm. The following areas will be opened again for the direct harvesting of shellfish for human consumption:

- Apponagansett Bay
- West Island
- Nasketucket Bay
- Sippican Harbor.

After signing warrants, license renewals and correspondence for the week, the board approved the minutes of the December 15, 1992 meeting as presented. Next, they voted to carry the meeting over to the Board of Health.

Attorney Thomas P. Crotty wrote in to inform the Board of Health that the trial with Zora Enterprises, Inc. and the Marion Board of Health had been scheduled for Tuesday, January 19, 1993 at 9:00 am at the Brockton Superior Court.

Bob Mackie asked the Board of Health that they review a proposal for funding a wetland pilot study in Marion. The goal of the project is to design, permit, construct and monitor a constructed wetland to provide tertiary treatment for the wastewater of the Town of Marion. The Board thought the plan was a sensible one and voted to discuss it further with Bob Mackie at a later date.

There being no further business to discuss, the board unanimously moved to adjourn for the evening.

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December 21, 1992

A meeting of the Rochester Board of Selectmen was called to order on Monday, December 21 at 7:03 pm by Chairman Harry A. Brown Jr. Also present were Selectman David L. Hughes, Selectman Lorraine R.C. Roy and Administrative Assistant Veronica Lafreniere.

After approving the minutes of the December 14 meeting, Chairman Brown began by opening sealed bids submitted to refill the town gasoline tank on Dexter Lane for use in police, fire, ambulance and highway department vehicles. Before opening the submitted bids, Police Chief Walter V. Denham, who was present at the meeting, brought to the Selectmen's attention that the last batch of gasoline purchased caused some "pinging" in the police cruisers, a point verified by Highway Surveyor Jeff Eldridge.

"I know we specified a 93 octane rating, but I think the level might have been dropped down," Chief Denham said.

According to the specifications of both the past and pending bid, the gasoline must be a 93 octane level or above (premium unleaded). Selectman Hughes asked that the last bill from Stanley Oil Company (the present supplier) be pulled from the files to make sure the octane level was as specified.

Chairman Brown announced three submitted bids from the following companies:

- Agway Petroleum Company, Syracuse, NY — $.7780 per gallon (exclusive of all taxes)
- Stanley Oil Company, Inc., New Bedford, MA — $1.10 per gallon (taxes included)
- Mutual Oil Company, Inc., Brockton, MA — $.9935 per gallon (delivered, taxes included).

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fluctuate with changing rack (retail) prices on the market. Selectman Hughes was also concerned about paying both federal and state taxes on the gasoline — since the federal should be reimbursed to the town.

"We can get our federal tax back, which is something we haven't been doing," he said. "All we have to do is apply. I suggest that we contact our current supplier and have them send us tax exemption forms so we can get our money back for this year as well."

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Hughes moved that the bids be held until they determine the town's federal tax exempt status.

The board unanimously moved to table awarding of the bid until their January meeting.

Chairman Brown next cited that letters were sent to town departments and Memorial School thanking everyone for their participation in the Annual Christmas Tree Lighting held on December 10.

Under incoming correspondence for the week, a letter and check was received from SEMASS representing a payment of $103,198.50 representing taxes for the month of November, 1992.

A letter of resignation was submitted from Diane C. Wood, who is stepping down from her position on the town's Conservation Commission. Ms. Wood said she hopes her tenure has assisted the town in some way and has enjoyed contributing her time.

Selectman Hughes moved that the board accept her resignation "with deep regret" and cited Ms. Wood as a great asset to the Commission. "She was very open-minded and I'm sorry to see her leave," he said.

The board will send a thank you letter and confirmation of the resignation to Ms. Wood.

An update was sent from the Marion/Mattapoisett/Rochester Housing Co-Op, Inc. regarding the status of the group as of December 1, 1992. According to President H. Leland Craver, the Soft Second/Tri-Town Mortgage Program has done very well in the past few months and he would like to see it continue with some modifications.

A meeting of the co-op is slated for January to review their progress under the last round of funding. Mr. Craver would like written comments from each town by January 15. In addition, a meeting with Representative Barney Frank is in the works.

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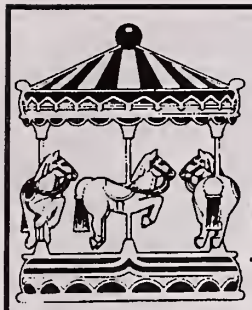

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The results of testing conducted by Aquatec, Inc. on the new water line installed to Town Hall were next sent to the board. The results indicated a 0 percent coliform content in the water line, which Chairman Brown cited as "very good."

The Department of Public Utilities sent notice to the board of several further telecommunication companies seeking to install new services in and around the town of Rochester in the months ahead. Among these was an application from DIGICOM, Inc., a Ohio corporation, to provide telecommunication services within the Commonwealth.

A letter from the law offices of Beauregard & Burke was next sent to the board regarding a notice issued from Brockton Superior Court marking December 18 as the date for the call of the trial list regarding the case of "William E. Chevalier et. al. vs. Richard J. Charon et. als." The case is a matter of pending litigation between the town and Mr. Chevalier.

Chairman Brown next noted a bill for legal services rendered from Kopelman & Paige upon the request of the Board of Appeals. Selectmen unanimously moved to pay the bill of $357.81 for services rendered in November, 1992.

There being no notices for the week, Chairman Brown cited items for the board's signature, beginning with an invoice for $72,741 to purchase a new 1993 Horton Emergency Vehicle (ambulance) from Quality Emergency Vehicle, Inc. Also attached was the Bill of Sale for the 1972 Cadillac Emergency Vehicle which was traded in on the sale for $6,000.

A general license renewal (range permit) was submitted by the Sippican Rod & Gun Club, Inc. for the board's approval. The permit — which cost $15 — would allow the club to operate their firing range on Monday - Friday, from 10:00 am - 1 hour before

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sunset and on Saturday - Sunday, from 10:00 am - 1/2 hour before sunset. Since the specifications of the permit were the same as last year, the board unanimously approved the renewal.

At 7:30 pm, the board took an appointment with Arthur Eddleston regarding signing over a portion of Old Neck Road which was approved to be discontinued as a public way by both Town Meeting voters and Plymouth County. The approximate 225 foot section of the discontinued road was sold to Mr. Eddleston for $1, which Chairman Brown accepted and signed the deed over.

Mr. Eddleston will be going before the Planning Board in January regarding this property.

Also at 7:30 pm, the Board of Selectmen proudly announced the winners in their Door Decorating Contest for the holidays. After viewing all registered participants on Thursday evening (December 17), the board selected the following winners, each of which was given a choice of donated gift certificates to area vendors:

- First Place — Darlene Sullivan, 144 North Avenue
- Second Place — Walter V. and Pam Denham, Mendell Road

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• Third Place — Dorothy Tuttle, Hartley Road

• Fourth Place — Kathleen Reed, 541 North Avenue

• Honorable Mention — Bette Olival, 30 Clarke Court and Sharon Ulrichsen, 2 Benson Road.

The Selectmen congratulated all the winners and participants and thanked them for their innovative and spirited decorations. A special "thank you" will be sent to all the local merchants who donated gift certificates to the cause.

Before leaving, Chief Denham updated the board on the status of the new engine for the police cruiser. The chief said he spent the last week getting prices on a new engine and trying to decide what the best guarantee/package would be for the town.

"I decided the best possible solution would be a 36 month/36,000 mile warranty at a cost of $1,250," he said. "This makes more sense if we want to get another two years out of the cruiser."

An additional $300 - $400 in labor will also be incurred in installing the new engine, for a total cost of about $1,500 - $1,700. The money will be taken out of the Police Department's maintenance budget. According to Chief Denham, the work should be completed by the end of the week (December 24).

The board also wanted to address the matter of taking the now-defunct K-9 vehicle off the road in order to collect an insurance rebate as suggested by the Finance Committee. But after researching the option, the town would only save about $250. For this reason, the board unanimously voted to keep the vehicle on the road until June 30, when the current insurance runs out. This way the department will still have a backup vehicle in case of an emergency.

The board next went over Class II and Class III License Applications/Renewals for 1993 for

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Chairman Brown began by noting Vaughan Hill Motors as being in arrear on property tax payments to the town which would, according to a vote of the Town Meeting floor, make them ineligible for a permit.

Selectman Hughes said he didn't know of any such by-law and asked why the company and its owner, Ferdinand LaFrance, should be penalized when they are making a good faith effort to pay their back taxes. "They are presently in a payment agreement with the Town Treasurer," Selectman Hughes said. "I can't see denying someone a license who's trying to pay their back taxes. It doesn't do us or him any good to shut down the business."

When Chairman Brown gave Selectman Hughes a copy of the by-law passed by Town Meeting voters, he still stressed the need to give the business some leeway.

"I move that we grant the permit provided that he agree to pay his taxes on a regular basis each month," Selectman Hughes said. "He's always run a nice, clean business and hasn't given us any trouble. I can't see what benefit denying a license and putting a man out of business can have."

Chairman Brown conceded, with the stipulation that Mr. LaFrance agree to come before the board and make a formal agreement with the town. He presently has given the town only a verbal agreement to pay $100 a month. "I'll accept the motion if we grant a temporary license until January 31, 1993, at which time he should come before the board and make a firm commitment to pay his taxes," he said.

The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.

Further Class II and Class III permits were also granted to the following businesses:

- Steve's Collision (Class II)
- Motorcoach, Inc. (Class II)
- Charlie Nunes (Class II)
- LaValley Brothers (Class III)
- Motorcoach, Inc. (Class III)
- Murphy's Auto Salvage (Class III) and High Street Auto (Class III), both with the stipulation that they repair the fence around their properties in a timely manner (within 2 to 3 months).

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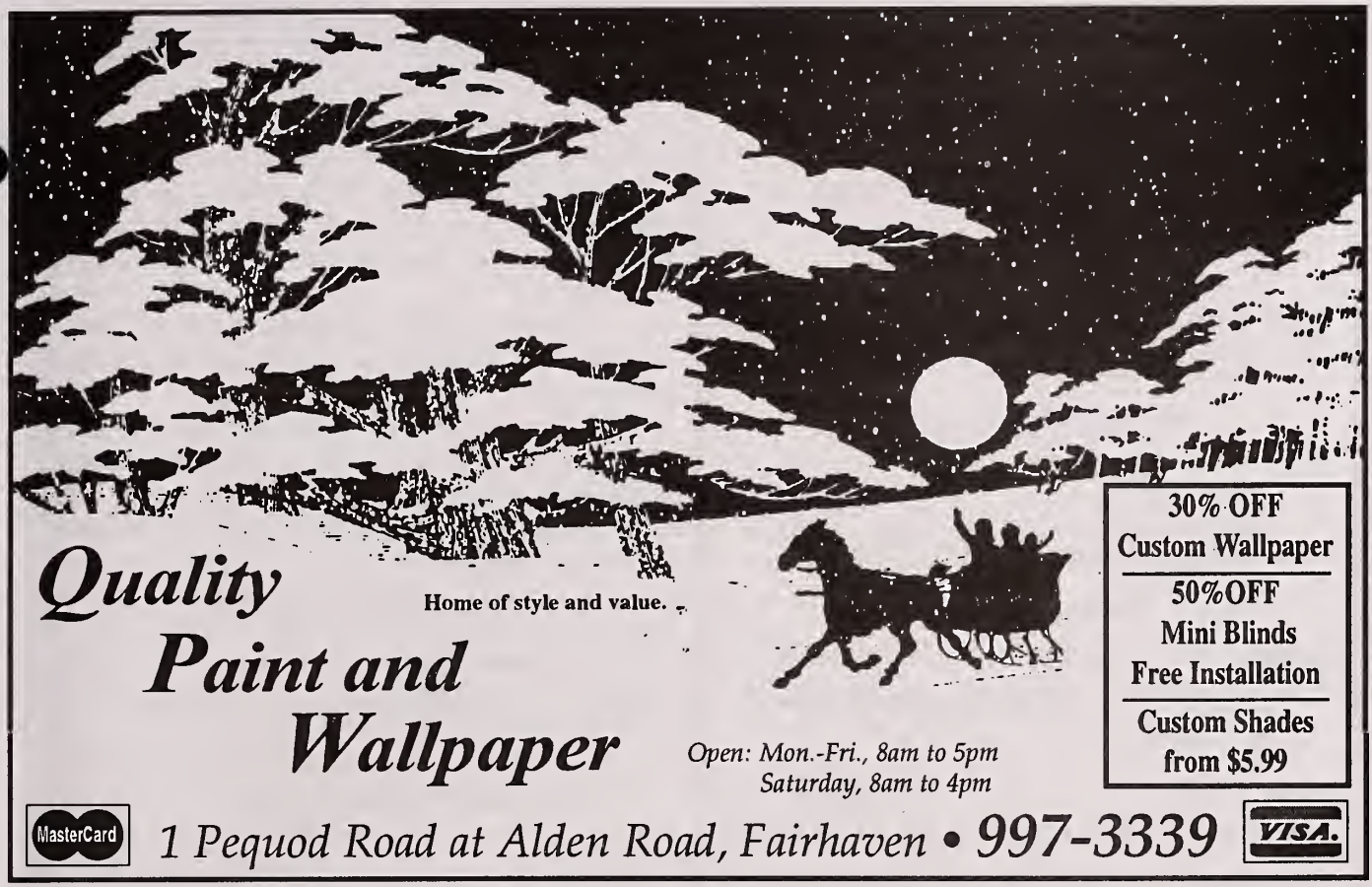

On April 1, Selectmen will make another inspection of the Murphy's Auto Salvage and High Street Auto to make sure the necessary repairs have been made. Otherwise, the permits will be rescinded.

The board next discussed the pending Town Audit to be conducted for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1992. Of four solicited telephone bids, the following were up for consideration:

- Malone & Company, Brewster, MA — $7,900
- J.G. Hodgson & Company, New Bedford, MA — $8,691 (includes $1,100 for school audit)
- Rodrigues, Guckin & Tobojka, P.C., New Bedford, MA — $7,000
- Thomas Quinn (bid solicited, no response).

Before considering the bids submitted, Selectman Roy wanted to clarify if the school audit was included in the other unspecified bids. Chairman Brown wasn't sure, as the bid specifications had asked only for a quote on an audit of the town for FY 1992.

With the warrant for the January 11, 1993 Special Town Meeting pending, Selectman Hughes suggested holding the bids until they are sure what the specs include. In the meantime, the board can sign the warrant with a higher figure inserted to pay for the town audit which can later be modified on the Town Meeting floor.

Selectman Hughes moved that the board hold the bids and approve the warrant as written with a figure of $8,691 (the highest bid) inserted in Article 1 to pay for the town audit. The motion was unanimously approved by the board.

While discussing the upcoming Special Town Meeting Warrant, Selectman Hughes also asked about Article 2 — a recommendation to change the Soil Conservation By-Law — which he had some

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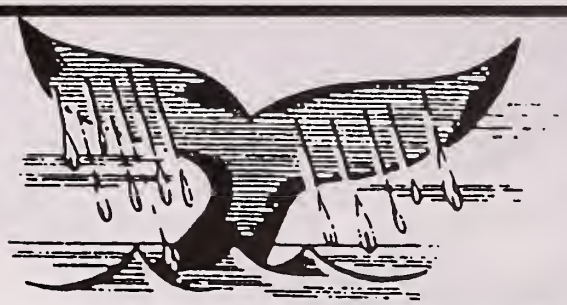

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Chairman Brown said that line had been deleted from the article at Selectman Hughes request last week.

"I've talked to everyone in town, including the cranberry growers, and no one has a problem with the article as written," Chairman Brown said.

But Selectman Hughes was concerned that the by-law pertains to cranberry growers only and doesn't specify "agricultural growers," i.e. "farmers." He also had problems with restricting the trucking of earth on weekends and stated that he believes the issuing of earth removal permits remain with the Board of Selectmen and not a newly appointed Soil Conservation Board, as proposed.

Selectman Roy explained that the purpose of specifying no trucking of earth on weekends was to decrease traffic problems and disturbances to residents.

Selectman Hughes seemed comfortable as long as there is a meeting scheduled prior to the January 11 Special Town Meeting to discuss the article. "That's fine, we can let it go to the Town Meeting as written," he said, "but I strongly suggest that the committee and this board meet to clarify the article so there is no arguing on the Town Meeting floor."

The board signed the warrant for the January 11 Special Town Meeting on which the following two articles will appear:

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to transfer from available funds the sum of $8,691 to allow the town to conduct an audit on town finances for the year ended June 30, 1992, or take any other action thereon.

• ARTICLE 2 — To see if the Town will vote to amend the Town of Rochester Protective By-Laws and Ordinances — General By-Laws — by deleting therefrom Section XII and substituting therefore a new Section XII which, among other changes, establishes a Soil Conservation Board and provides that earth removal permits shall be issued by the Soil Conservation Board rather than the Board of Selectmen, as set forth in a document entitled "Soil Conservation Board Regulations Earth Removal Town of Rochester, Dated January 11, 1993," a copy of which is available for inspection in the offices of the Town Clerk, or to take any other action thereon.

The board then discussed and issued Earth Removal Permits for 1993, excepting the following which required upgrading and or changes in present conditions: Barboza, Hastings, Myers and Subon. A temporary 30-day permit was issued to Tavares with the stipulation that he come in and discuss his plans with the board.

Under New Business, Selectman Hughes suggested the board advertise the fuel oil bids, for which the last bids were accepted in October. Both the town highway barn and fire barns require heating fuel and, if cheaper, may go in on a joint venture with the library.

Selectman Hughes also wanted an updated account on those who owe the town money for ambulance fees. The biggest offender, according to

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him, is the state. He suggested sending a letter to their newly-elected senator and/or representative to see if the matter could be rectified.

Lastly, Mr. Hughes asked when the board will be scheduling their budget meetings for the year. Chairman Brown said that Finance Committee Chairwoman Patricia Ryan is going to meet with the board at the January 4 meeting to discuss the actual "level funded" figures for 1993. The deadline to submit budget figures in January 15.

There being no further business to discuss, the board adjourned at 9:20 pm.

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Machacam Club

The Machacam Club will hold its January meeting on Wednesday, January 6 at the American Legion Hall on Depot Street. Social hour will begin at 5:30 pm, with dinner service at 6:00 pm.

Our guest speaker for this meeting will be Ronald R. Trudel, Associate Professor of Medical Laboratory Science at UMass Dartmouth. Mr. Trudel's specialty is Clinical Micro-Biology. The subject for the evening will be infectious diseases of the greater southeastern Massachusetts area. This timely topic will be of great interest to all.

Callers are reminded to report their lists no later than 9:00 pm on January 4. Last minute changes and reservations may be made by calling Mike Lamoureux at 758-9311.

Mattapoisett Board of Health

Landfill Holiday Hours

The Mattapoisett Landfill will close at 12:00 noon on December 31, 1992. The Landfill will be closed on December 25 and January 1, but will be open on Saturday, December 26 and Saturday, January 2.

Holiday Rubbish Schedule

Rubbish normally picked up on Friday will be picked up on Saturday during Christmas and New Year's. Regular pickup will resume the week of January 4, 1993. Please have your rubbish out by 7:00 am.

Marion Art Center

An open reading will be held at the Marion Art Center on Tuesday, December 29 at 7:00 pm. Anyone interested in performing in the upcoming comedy, "Play On," by Rick Abbott is encouraged to come. The play will be produced in late February and will

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be directed by Christopher LeBlanc. It is a show within a show that is a hilarious look at amateur community theater.

The galleries at the Marion Art Center will be closed from December 23 to January 5. Music lessons and some classes will resume on Monday, January 4.

The Annual Meeting of the Marion Art Center will be held on January 12 at 7:00 pm in the auditorium at the Center. All members in good standing are invited to attend.

The Life Drawing Open Studio at the Marion Art Center will resume every Thursday from 7:00 - 9:00 pm beginning January 14. There will be six sessions, no instructor. Fee: $30, members; $35 non-members. Call 748-2188 for information.

Mattapoisett Free Public Library

Library Hours

- December 25 — CLOSED
- December 26 — CLOSED
- January 1 — CLOSED.

Regular hours, to resume after January 1, are as follows:

- Tuesday, 12:00 - 6:00
- Wednesday, 12:00 - 8:00
- Thursday, 12:00 - 6:00
- Friday, 10:00 - 5:00
- Saturday, 10:00 - 1:00.

Winter Preschool Story Hour

Registration for the library's Preschool Story Hour will begin Tuesday, January 5. Children ages 3 - 5 may be registered for Wednesday, 1:00 - 1:45 pm or Friday, 10:30 - 11:15 am. The program consists of eight sessions beginning January 13 and 15 and ending March 10 - 12. For more information, call 758-4171.

First Congregational Church — Rochester

On Christmas Eve, December 24, the church will have its annual Living Nativity in front of the church building at 6:30 pm, followed by a Family Candlelight Christmas Eve service at 7:30 pm. Then, at 11:00 pm, there will be a traditional candlelight

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	Extended Listings of the events in this calendar are available throughout this issue. *The Wanderer* publishes a monthly list of community events sponsored by Non-profit Organization your group's activities listed please notify us as early as possible to ensure you are included. We can be reached at (508) 758-9055.			
3	**4** RO Selectmen 7:00 **Tobey Planning Comm.** 5:00 pm Tobey Hosp.	**5** MR Selectmen 7:00 MT Selectmen 7:00	**6**	7
10	**11** RO Special Town Meeting 7:30 pm - MEM	**12** MR Selectmen 7:00 MT Selectmen 7:00 MT P.T.A. CEN	**13** *Toastmasters Whaling City Chapter* *Noon - Ronies Seafood* **Ladies Aux.** 7:30 pm Depot Str	1
17 Men's Fellowship 8:30 am - St. Gabriel's	**18** **Martin Luther King Jr. Birthday** (observed) **Tobey Planning Comm.** 5:00 pm - Tobey	**19** MR Selectmen 7:00 MT Selectmen 7:00 RO Selectmen 7:00	**20** American Legion 7:30 pm Depot Street	2
24 / **31**	**25** RO Selectmen 7:00	**26** MR Selectmen 7:00 MT Selectmen 7:00	**27** *Toastmasters Whaling City Chapter* *Noon - Ronies Seafood*	2 Re

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nizations. If you would like d.	**1** New Year's Day	**2**
7 Veteran's Council 6:30 pm	**8**	**9**
14 Tobey Hospital Annual Meeting 5:00 pm - Tobey	**15**	**16**
21	**22** Deadline for February Calendar 3:00 pm	**23** MT SHARE Pick-Up OLDHM Amer. Legion Ham & Bean Supper 5:30 pm - Depot Street
28 MT/MR/RO Regional Selectmen's Meeting 7 pm Marion Town House	**29** February Calendar Issue	**30**

KEY TO ABBREVIATIONS

CEN-Center School Mattapoisett
DCM-Dartmouth Children's Museum
FH-Fairhaven
FMH-Friends Meeting House
FRE- Friends of the Elderly
HRPL-Heritage Plantation, Sandwich
LCEN-Lloyd Center, South Dartmouth
MEM-Memorial School Rochester
MR-Marion
MRCOA-Marion Council on Aging
MSTC-Mattapoisett Senior Touring Club
MT-Mattapoisett
MTCOA-Mattapoisett Council on Aging
MTCCH-Mattapoisett Congregational Church
MTLC-Mattapoisett Lions Club
MTR-Mattapoisett Rescue
MTS- Mattapoisett Share
MTC-Mattapoisett Track Club
MTWC-Mattapoisett Woman's Club
OCR-Old Colony Regional
OLDHM-Old Hammondtown School
ORRJH-Old Rochester Regional Junior High
ORRSH-Old Rochester Regional Senior High
PPL-Plimoth Plantation
RO-Rochester
ROCOA-Rochester Council on Aging
SIP-Sippican School, Marion
STANG-Bishop Stang High School, Dartmouth
TABOR-Tabor Academy Marion
UCCR-Upper Cape Cod Regional, Bourne
UMD-UMass Dartmouth
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ZEIT-Zeiterion Theatre New Bedford

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Marion Council on Aging (COA)

Walking Club — New Winter Hours

As of January 1, 1993, the Marion Walking Club will meet on Monday at 10:30 to 11:30 am and on Wednesday and Thursday from 2:00 to 3:00 pm in front of the Sippican School. Participants are advised to wear comfortable shoes and casual sport clothing.

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Podiatry Clinic

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Fuel Assistance Applications

Robert Andresen, the town's PACE representative will be at the Town House every Thursday from 10:00 am until 12:00 noon to assist fuel assistance applicants. In order to qualify for fuel assistance you must meet certain guidelines. For further information, or to make an appointment, please call 748-3570.

Mattapoisett Council on Aging (COA)

Season's Greetings

The COA office will close at 11:00 am on December 24 and will re-open on December 28.

Fuel Assistance

Fuel assistance applications will will be taken beginning January 5 by appointment only for the month of January. If you wish to apply, please call the COA office during the week of January 4 at 758-4110.

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COA Transportation to Tobey Hospital

Please have your doctor schedule any blood work on x-rays on Wednesday morning between 8:30 am and 10:30 am if you plan on using the Senior Van. You must also call the COA office by Monday so the van can be scheduled. FISH will no longer transport people to Tobey Hospital for blood work or x-rays Call 758-4110 for more information.

Outreach Volunteers

The COA is in need of volunteers who could visit seniors from Mattapoisett who are in local nursing homes. This visitation is once a month at your convenience and takes approximately 2 hours of your time. Please call 758-4110.

FISH Drivers

The COA is also in need of volunteer drivers for the FISH program. Drivers are needed to help with transportation of residents from Mattapoisett who are unable to get rides to their doctor or dentist appointments. Please call the COA if you can help.

Swansea Mall Trip

The COA van will be going to Swansea Mall on January 25. The van will leave St. Anthony's at 9:30 am and Village Court at 9:45 am. Please call if you are interested.

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Podiatrist Visit

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Camp Massasoit Reunion

The YMCA of Greater New Bedford will be hosting a reunion for all campers and staff of Camp Massasoit on Sunday, January 10.

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Friends of the Elderly — Mattapoisett

SHARE Registration

Registration date for February will be on January 7 at the Congregational Church between 11:00 am and 1:00 pm. Please use the Mechanic Street entrance.

Senior Workshops

Senior Workshops have been suspended for the holidays and will resume on Wednesday, January 6 at Village Court beginning at 1:30 pm.

American Sign Language Classes

For some time now, Sign Language classes under the guidance of Nancy Fleming have been held at Village Court in Mattapoisett. These have proved to be very helpful for those who work with the deaf or who have relatives and friends who are hearing impaired. In fact, there was such good response to the last session that it had to be divided into two evenings a week.

The next session will start with a Beginners' Class, which will run from January 12 - March 23. An Advanced Beginners' Class will also run from

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The birds are all nestled
in soft downy beds,
While visions of sunflowers
danced in their heads.

The Swallows all migrated,
the fledglings took wing.
The rest of them need me,
at least until Spring.

Out on the lawn
the bird bath's not frozen,
I bought it last night
As the bird store was closin'.

I looked out the window,
was just before dawn.
A few feisty squirrels
were eating the corn.

The tuft of the Titmouse,
makes it easy to see.
And I especially enjoy
the Black-capped Chickadee.

But what to my wondering
eyes I hold dear,
Is the scarlet red Cardinal,
with his mate usually near.

The White-breasted Nuthatch
keeps looking at me
As he searches for food
that he stored in the tree.

More rapid than Kestrels
the Blue Jays they came,
With their skulking behavior
their trademark to fame.

"Now, squirrel! Now, Titmouse!
Now, Nuthatch and Cardinal!
On House Finch! On Sparrow!
On Black-capped Chickadee!

"To the end of the branch,
to the top of the tree,
Now dash away! dash away!
The rest is for me!"

As cold winter winds
the birds they do fly,
When they meet with the Blue Jay,
mount to the sky.

So down to the feeder
the bandits they flew.
With the air full of noise,
and deep shades of blue.

And then in a twinkling
I saw with a peek
The pick'n and peck'n
of each little beak.

As I threw up my arms
and was turning around,
Down the limb of the tree Mr. Squirrel
came with a bound.

He was covered in snow
from his head to his tail,
And was after my feeder
but with no avail.

A real cunning mammal
with a relentless attack,
As he eye-balled my feeder
I knew he'd be back.

His eyes how-they twinkled!
his tail-all a-flutter!
His feet were a-thumpin'
as I heard him mutter.

His long fluffy tail
was slung down really low
As he foraged for food
in the fresh-fallen snow.

The cob of the corn
lay buried beneath
With instinctive precision
'Twas clenched in his teeth.

He flashed a broad smile
wagged his tail with a whoosh,
Spun 'round with the corn
and headed straight for the bush.

He was chubby and plump,
a well-fed little guy.
You can't beat 'em, so feed 'em,
but I'm still gonna try.

I was rubbing my eyes
heading back to my bed.
Soon gave me to know
the birds hadn't been fed.

I grabbed my bird seed,
and went straight to my work,
Still in my pajamas,
I felt like a jerk.

I filled all the feeders,
and shoveled a path.
Put out some corn
and cleaned the bird bath.

I sprang to the porch,
to the dog gave a whistle.
The Finches were there,
devouring the thistle.

So give thanks to the Lord!
some advice to elate ya'.
Experience the joy
found only in nature.

In closing I can't seem to find
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Mattapoisett Police Department

Police Log

The following listings are for the week of December 14 - December 20, 1992:

Breaks

- Park Street — attempted break into residence.

Larceny

- None reported.

Vandalism

- None reported.

Arrests: 3
Citations: 11
Accidents: 4
Ambulance Runs: 7
Fires/Related: 5
Total Calls for Service: 68

Old Rochester Regional Junior High School

Robert C. Gardner, Principal of ORR Junior High School, announces the next "Coffee with the Principal" will take place on January 5 from 7:00 to 9:00 pm in the ORRJHS Library.

Mr. James Egan, Principal of ORR High School, Ms. Chris Connelly, Clinical Manager of Project CARE along with Paul McGee, DARE officer for the new Grade 7 program, will be guest speakers.

Junior High School parents are encouraged to attend. For further information, call 758-4928.

Old Rochester Regional High School

Wareham Elks Student-of-the-Month

The faculty of ORR High School has named the following students as "Student-of-the-Month" for September through December:

- September — Heather Stroud
- October — Terence Lewis Jr.
- November — Dawn Fennell
- December — Brian Campbell.

The criteria used by the faculty in the selection process includes excellence in scholastics, citizenship, performing arts, fine arts, athletics, and community service. These students will be honored by the Wareham Lodge of Elks at their annual banquet in the spring of 1993.

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Additions to Honor Roll

There are two additions to be made to the ORR Junior High School Honor Roll as reported in the December 11 issue: Christopher Brown and Benjamin Mahoney. Both are members of the Blue Team.

Financial Aid Information Night

The ORR Guidance Department will sponsor the Annual Financial Aid Information Night on Thursday, January 14 at 7:00 pm in the ORR cafeteria. Parents of ORR seniors should make every effort to attend this most important and informative presentation.

Financial aid is a critical issue for students contemplating post-secondary education. Students may qualify for aid for further education at a trade/technical school, community college, junior college, or four-year college or university. All families are encouraged to apply for financial aid.

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St. Anthony's Church — Mattapoisett

Following is a schedule of services being offered during the holiday season:

CHRISTMAS EVE (December 24)

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- 6:30 pm — Family Liturgy (Children's Choir

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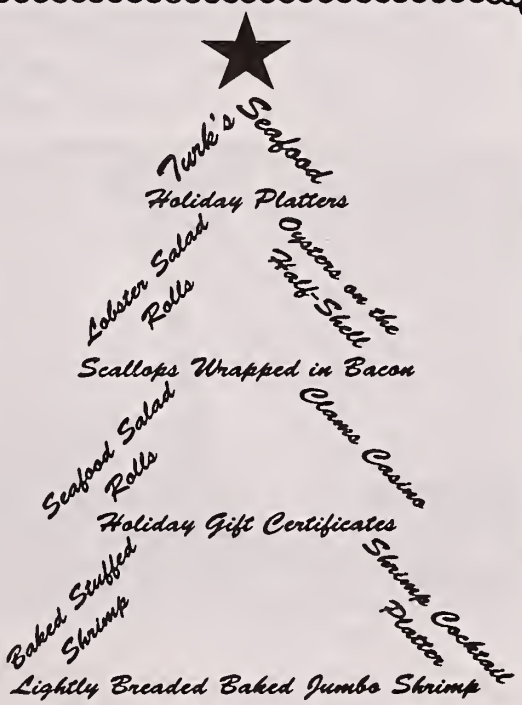

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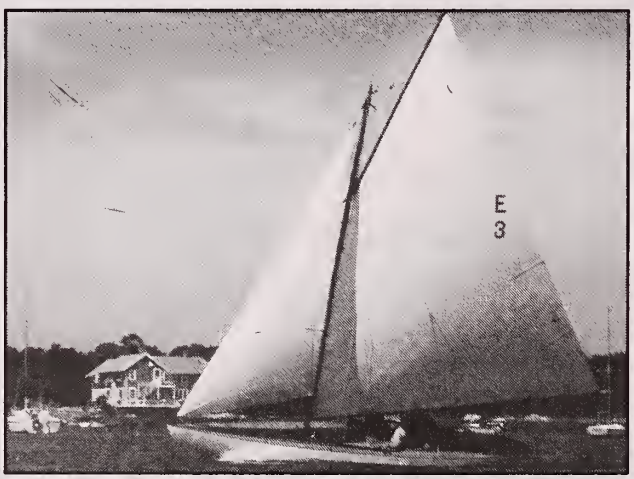

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This is a great way for students to spend Christmas Vacation Week. Activities will include outdoor hikes, arts and crafts, sports, games, cooking, field trips and movies. Cost of the program includes a delicious hot lunch each day, snacks and a free T-shirt.

The program will be held each day from 8:00 am to 5:00 pm and will be supervised by experienced YMCA staff members. To register, or for more information, please call 758-4203.

New Year's Eve Overnight

The YMCA Youth and Family Center will be holding an overnight for kids Grades 1 - 6 on Thursday, December 31. This is a fun and safe way for children to spend New Year's Eve.

Activities will include games, contests, arts and crafts, and a movie ... all supervised by the center's trained staff. The program will begin at 7:00 pm on Thursday evening and conclude at 8:30 am on Friday, January 1.

To register or for more information, please call 758-4203.

Country Western Dance Lessons

Beginning January 9, the center will be offering Country-Western Dance Lessons for interested adults. If you always wanted to get in the swing, but didn't know how, dance teacher Regina Chandanais will teach couples and singles the Texas Two-Step, East Coast Swing, Line Dance and much more.

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Video Collection

Videos are now available for patrons at the Joseph H. Plumb Memorial Library. Tapes for adults and children have been purchased, and the collection is continuing to grow. Donations of videotapes are also greatly appreciated. For adults, "how to" videos on home repair, decorating, and selling your home are available along with other titles. Children's videos include classics like *The Emperor and the Nightingale* and *Tales of Jeremy Fisher.* Videos may be borrowed for one week at a time.

St. Gabriel's Episcopal Church

On Christmas Eve, December 24, is the Creche Service at 5:00 pm when each child puts an animal into the creche in the main church. Carols will be sung and a Christmas story will be told for the children by the interim pastor, the Rev. Robert Wardrop. The 8:30 pm service in the church will feature both the Adult and Junior Choirs.

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Harold Bost will also sing "O Holy Night." Both choirs will continue to accompany the service with "And the Glory of the Lord" from Handel's *Messiah* as the anthem to provide a magnificent highlight. At 11:00 pm in the chapel, Holy Eucharist will be celebrated with Harold Bost as soloist once more.

On December 27, there will be Holy Communion at 8:00 am in the chapel. "Lessons and Carols," a traditional post-Christmas service going back many years to services held at King's College in Cambridge, England, will be held at 10:00 in the chapel.

Mattapoisett Senior Touring Club

The following events are planned for the weeks ahead:

• February 8 - 10 — Three-day trip to Atlantic City, the Taj Mahal. $10 in coins included. $25 deposit due now. Limited to 20.

• March 9 — Hal Roach, Comedian and dinner at White's Restaurant, Westport, MA.

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Sippican Seniors

Meeting/Installation of Officers

A regular meeting of the Sippican Seniors will be held on Friday, January 8 at 1:30 pm at the VFW Pavilion in Marion. Guest speaker will be Mary Luby, the Director of Lighthouse Hospice in Wareham.

New officers for 1993 to be installed by Paul Williams will be:

- President — Erna Metcalf
- Vice President — Peter Silvia
- Secretary — Sandy Prescott
- Treasurer — Bob Metcalf
- Assistant Treasurer — Natalie Sullivan.

After the meeting, a representative from Royal Caribbean Cruise Lines will be available to answer questions.

The Executive Board will meet on the Monday preceding the regular meeting (January 4).

Senior Drop-In Center

The Senior Drop-In Center in the Congregational Community Center Hall offers Bridge on Tuesday and Thursday. Please call Dorothy Tortora at 295-2786 for Tuesday information, or Ceil Barry at 748-1223 for Thursday information.

The second and fourth Tuesdays of each month are scheduled in various members' homes, while all other sessions are held at the center. Whist Parties are also being offered on the second and fourth Tuesday each month at 1:00 pm. For information call Natalie Sullivan at 748-1467.

Senior Travellers

The following trips are now being offered:

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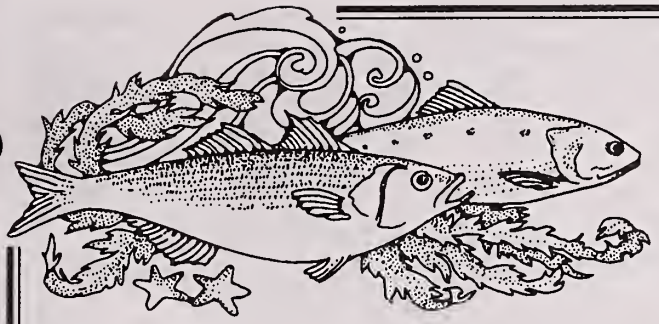

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Well-Child Clinic — Marion

A Well-Child Clinic will be held on Tuesday, January 5 at 9:00 am at the Marion Visiting Nurse Association Offices in the Sippican School. Dr. Charles Gleason will give physical exams, immunizations, hemoglobin tests, and lead screening tests to eligible Marion and Rochester children, newborn to preschool age. Donation: $5 per child. For information or to make an appointment, call 748-1020.

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Honor Roll Announced

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GRADE 12 — Keith Forsblom (Acushnet), Michelle L. Cote (Carver), Damian I. Gray (Carver), Stephenie Kyser (Carver), Amy E. Pinto (Carver), Nerissa E. Malcolm (Mattapoisett), John McKinney (Mattapoisett), Gregory S. Weigel (Rochester), Craig S. Almeida (Assonet).

GRADE 11 — Brandi DaSilva (Acushnet), Randall E. Martin Jr. (Acushnet), Kristine Opozda (Acushnet), Chad Pires (Acushnet), Heather Brassil (Carver), John F. Gaffney (Carver), Jennifer Hart (Carver), Virginia Ann Simard (Carver), Michael T. Trott (Mattapoisett), Shannon W. Bancroft (Rochester), Richard S. Bertrand (Rochester), Jennifer M. Hebert (Rochester), Sharon M. Tripanier (Rochester), Marc P. Vital (Assonet), Kenneth Morazes (East Freetown).

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GRADE 9 — Megan R. Barrett (Acushnet), Phillip Batista (Acushnet), Joshua Dansereau (Acushnet), Kara Deree (Acushnet), Jason Desnoyers (Acushnet), Janelle Ledoux (Acushnet), Peter E. Murach (Acushnet), Kristen L. Watson (Acushnet), Casey A. Bates (Carver), Michelle Bell (Carver), Tina Bennett (Carver), Patrick J. Boyden (Carver), Alexander S. Flinn (Carver), Adam S. Markey (Carver), Kasaundra Martin (Carver), Jennifer L. Pauline (Carver), David E. Peirce (Carver), Melanie Ann Rocha (Carver), Danee Santos (Carver), Roland J. Cossette (Lakeville), Kyle Gauthier (Lakeville), Michael V. Kitchen (Lakeville), Brandon A. Mello (Lakeville), Josh Bishop (Rochester), Jessica B. Francis (Rochester), Daryl Kinney (Rochester), Christopher Mello (Rochester), Brian V. Rumery (Rochester), Christopher Roderiques (Assonet), Kara B. DeTerra (East Freetown), Diane Lackie (East Freetown).

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Representing Old Colony will be Cheryl Forand of Rochester and Emily Viator of Acushnet. Both young women are multiple sport athletes with each participating in volleyball, basketball, and softball. Cheryl and Emily are both in the college preparatory track at Old Colony and are receiving occupational training in Cosmetology. They are both members of the Class of 1993.

Old Colony Senior Receives Leadership Award

Senior Michelle Cote, of Carver, was recently announced as the recipient of the prestigious Principal's Leadership Award at Old Colony. The Principal's Leadership Award is sponsored by the National Association of Secondary School Principals and the Herff-Jones Company. Michelle is now eligible for one of 150 scholarships of $1000 for 1992.

Michelle was nominated for the award based upon her leadership ability in the school as well as her academic excellence. Michelle currently ranks first in her class while enrolled in the Culinary Arts program at the school.

Peer Leadership

Old Colony's Peer Leadership group recently received training in the area of presentation skills. The four-hour training session was facilitated by Armando Rodrigues of Pathways Prevention Center and concluded a Peer Leadership training sequence which began last school year. Previous training sessions have focused on self-awareness, AIDS education, communication skills, and the effects of drugs and alcohol.

With their newly acquired skills, the Peer Leaders have begun to initiate activities within the school, including a program to raise awareness of "alcohol-related crashes." Additional information

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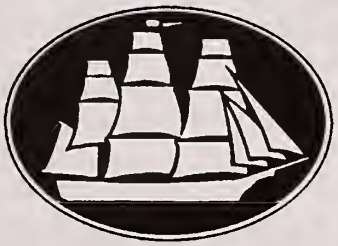

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Future plans for this school year include developing a skit, which could be presented to elementary schools within the district. In past years, Peer Leaders have been quite successful working on themes such as peer pressure and decision-making.

Adult Classes at Old Colony

Small Engine Repair Class

Small Engine Repair specialist Richard DeTerra will be offering an adult education course at Old Colony starting in January. Work performed will range from minor tune-ups and diagnostics to a complete engine rebuild of any small power plant on a lawnmower, chain saw, snow blower, or garden tractor.

Students in this class will receive classroom instruction plus "hands on" repair of their own piece of equipment. For more information, please call 763-8011.

Art Class Will Feature New Techniques

Professional artist Silvia Fernandes will be offering additional painting techniques to his oil and water color classes at Old Colony. Use of the palette knife and "wet and wet" applications will be introduced to the students, made up of beginner and novice artists from southeastern Massachusetts.

Mr. Fernandes' classes, which feature the use of mixing basic pigments to achieve the desired color, will offer the course on Wednesday evenings starting in January. For more information, call 763-

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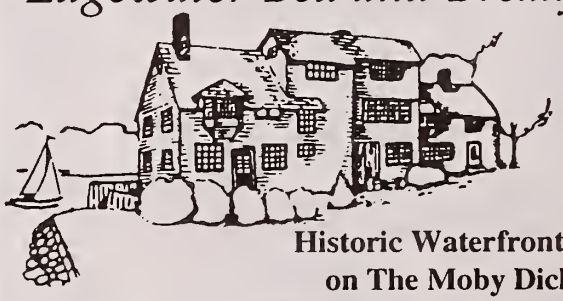

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The School of Practical Nursing at Upper Cape Cod Regional is accepting applications for the 1993-1994 class. They may be picked up at the school office Monday - Friday, 8:00 am - 3:30 pm. The application deadline is January 29, 1993.

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FOR RENT - Log cottage in Marion, $500/month. Large driveway, 5 minutes to town, pet owners, disabled and retired preferred. Fully enclosed fenced-in backyard with deck. Call 996-6084, ask for "Cippy." Messages promptly returned. 1/8

LEGAL NOTICE

TOWN OF MATTAPOISETT
CONSERVATION COMMISSION
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The Mattapoisett Conservation Commission will hold a public hearing on Tuesday, January 19, at 7:15 pm in the Town Hall on the Notice of Intent submitted by Town of Mattapoisett Water & Sewer Department, 33 Church Street, P.O. Box 474, Mattapoisett, MA 02739. The proposed project is to cut brush within town utility easement for the purpose of maintaining the accessibility of the easement. The project is located throughout the Town of Mattapoisett along water and sewer utility easements. Maps available at Mattapoisett Water & Sewer Department, 33 Church Street.

Ronald E. Scott, Chairman
12/25 Mattapoisett Conservation Commission

A booklet describing the test may be picked up at the school office, Monday - Friday from 8:00 am to 3:30 pm.

Bishop Stang High School

Fall Sports Awards

Bishop Stang held its annual Fall Sports Team Banquet at the school on Thursday evening, December 3. All athletes and their families were invited to participate in the dinner and awards program. The Coach's Award for Cross Country was presented to senior Kevin Grant of Fall River. The Cross Country Sportsmanship Award went to senior Kerri Freitas of Fall River. The two recipients of the

Field Hockey Awards were both seniors from Westport: Monique Sorel was MVP on the Offense and Laura Chase was MVP on the Defense.

Football awards were presented to the following seniors from Westport: the Captain's Awards were given to John Harrington and Michael Pacheco.

The MVP for boys' soccer was awarded to senior Michael Cronin of Westport. Two seniors received the 110 percent Award for soccer: Matthew Cronin of Sandwich and Gabriel Houdelette of Marion. The MVP for girls' soccer was awarded to junior Jessica Byron of Tiverton. Junior Kathryn Negri of East Falmouth won the 110 percent Award for Cheering, and senior Bethany Alexander of Westport received the Coach's Award.

The MIAA Sportsmanship Awards were earned by seniors Frederick Mello of Fall River and Elizabeth Krydys of Westport. Congratulations to all athletes and the dedicated coaching staff on their achievements.

New Class Officers

Bishop Stang recently held elections for class officers. The following students were elected by their respective classes:

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Buttonwood Park area - six room, two bedroom apartment, first floor, offstreet parking, wall-to-wall, washer & dryer hookup. $485/month. Call 748-1892. 12/25

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• Vice President — Elizabeth Krudys of Westport
• Secretary — Margaret Green of Fairhaven
• Treasurer — Alison Fleming of Mattapoisett.

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• President — Jason Williams of Assonet
• Vice President — Jason Roderiques of Lakeville
• Secretary — Michelle Walker of Westport
• Treasurer — Shelli Pereira of Fall River.

SOPHOMORE CLASS
• President — Robert Machado of Acushnet
• Vice President — Colleen Carney of South Dartmouth
• Secretary — Michelle Neves of Fairhaven
• Treasurer — Victoria Marcelino of Westport.

FRESHMAN CLASS elections will be held after January 1.

Wareham Garden Club

The next Executive Board meeting will be held on January 7, 1993 at 10:00 am in the Wareham Free Public Library. Hostesses will be Robin Murphy and Diane Blondin. The regular meeting of the club will

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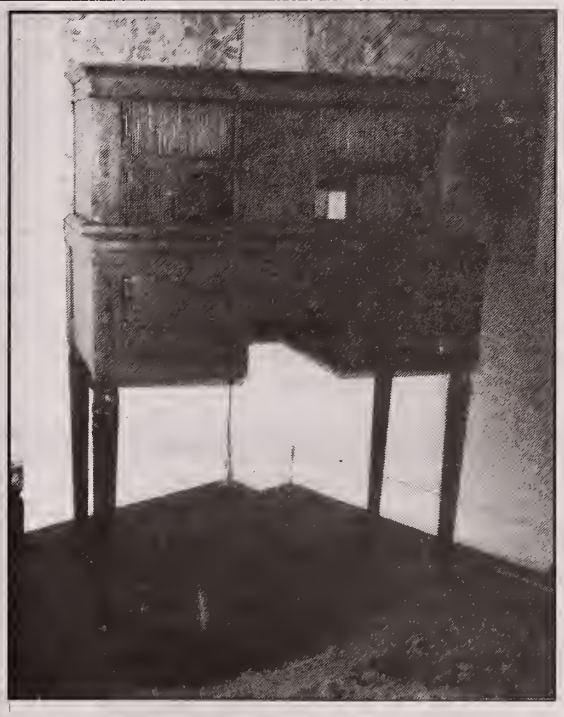

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be at 12:30 pm, January 14, in the First Congregational Church Fellowship Hall. Hostesses will be Carol Leidner and Helen Mower, co-chairs, assisted by Mary Savignano, Joanne Casell, Dianne Higgins, Peg Turner, Jeanne Borggaard, and Helen Cross.

The speaker will be Suzette Lebell, who will lecture and demonstrate with a program she calls "Creative Expressions." Members may bring guests. For more information, call Edith White at 748-2979.

Lloyd Center

New Year's Beach Walk

Ring in the New Year by joining the Lloyd Center for a Beach Walk on Gooseberry Island. This is a perfect opportunity to start off the year on a good note as well as to enjoy a brisk walk next to the winter sea. Director Mark Mello will accompany the participants on this trip that runs on January 1 from 10:00 am - 12:00 noon.

The trip is free to all participants, but everyone is asked to pre-register by calling the Lloyd Center at 990-0505.

Winter Tracks

Join the Lloyd Center of South Dartmouth on January 3 for an afternoon of winter tracking. Winter is a perfect season to investigate tracks as the snow allows participants to view tracks that have been left behind by native animals. Lloyd Center education coordinator Alan Harris will be leading this very informative walk on winter tracking which will run from 1:30 - 3:30 pm.

The fee for this program is $4 for members and $6 for non-members. Please pre-register by calling 990-0505.

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- Bowling — Every Saturday, 7:00 - 9:00 pm at Wonder Bowl in New Bedford.

If you have an enthusiastic child or friend who would benefit from lots of activity, support and fun, please call Kate Webb at 758-2567 for more information. A medical form and the necessary equipment is all that is required to participate.

YMCA — New Bedford

The YMCA of Greater New Bedford is now accepting registrations for their newly established Child Care program. The Child Care program is part of the YMCA's five-year strategic plan to improve services to members, participants and the community. The Center is designed to serve children, 2.9 through 6 years old. Year-round care will be provided from 6:30 am to 5:30 pm. For further information, please call 997-0734.

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Tuesday, December 29:

6:00 pm **Faith In Action**
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Reverend George Taylor

6:30 pm **Books and the World**
Jim Visbeck

7:00 pm **High School Basketball**

Wednesday, December 30:

6:00 pm **Wareham**
Selectmen's Meeting

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The Wanderer *is distributed to the public free of charge throughout Mattapoisett, Marion and Rochester.*
This week's issue (December 25) was mailed to:
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There will be *no January 1* issue due to Holiday Vacation.
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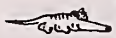

Last week's aardvark was hidden so well even we don't know where it was!
(Answers in the January 8 issue!)

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The Great Aardvark Give Away!

It's finally here!

We have nine little aardvarks who need a home, and we want you to have one of them!

There are three ways you can win:

(A) Last Week's Aardvarks!

In our December 18 issue there was more than one aardvark, (five in fact) Three were hidden (but we're not saying where). The ones on pages 3 and 68 were pretty easy, how's that for a hint?

(B) This Week's Aardvarks!

There are several aardvarks in this issue, count them all, and let us know. If you guess closest to the right number you win!

(C) Clueless: I Can Never Find The Aardvarks!

If you can't find an aardvark (like this one or this one) then just enter in this category.

How to enter:

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Date	Day of Week	Rises a.m.	Sets p.m.	Length of Day h.:m.
December 25:	**Fri.**	7:12	4:17	9:05
December 26:	**Sat.**	7:12	4:17	9:05
December 27:	**Sun.**	7:13	4:18	9:05
December 28:	**Mon.**	7:13	4:19	9:06
December 29:	**Tues.**	7:13	4:20	9:07
December 30:	**Wed.**	7:13	4:20	9:07
December 31:	**Thur.**	7:13	4:21	9:08
January 1:	**Fri.**	7:14	4:22	9:08
January 2:	**Sat.**	7:14	4:23	9:09
January 3:	**Sun.**	7:14	4:24	9:10
January 4:	**Mon.**	7:14	4:25	9:11
January 5:	**Tues.**	7:14	4:26	9:12
January 6:	**Wed.**	7:14	4:27	9:13
January 7:	**Thur.**	7:13	4:28	9:15
January 8:	**Fri.**	7:13	4:29	9:16
January 9:	**Sat.**	7:13	4:30	9:17
January 10:	**Sun.**	7:13	4:31	9:18

Phases of the Moon

First Quarter	December 31st	10:39 pm
Full Moon	January 8th	7:38 am
Last Quarter	January 14th	11:02 pm
New Moon	January 22rd	1:28 pm

Local Tides

Date	Day	High a.m.	High p.m.	Low a.m.	Low p.m.
December 25:	**Fri.**	8:27	8:47	1:47	2:31
December 26:	**Sat.**	9:08	9:31	2:24	3:01
December 27:	**Sun.**	9:50	10:14	3:00	3:31
December 28:	**Mon.**	10:32	10:59	3:37	4:01
December 29:	**Tues.**	11:15	11:44	4:14	4:35
December 30:	**Wed.**	. . .	12:01	5:53	5:15
December 31:	**Thur.**	12:34	12:50	5:38	5:57
January 1:	**Fri.**	1:28	1:46	6:33	6:49
January 2:	**Sat.**	2:21	2:43	7:34	7:47
January 3:	**Sun.**	3:17	3:39	8:43	8:47
January 4:	**Mon.**	4:09	4:34	9:49	9:48
January 5:	**Tues.**	5:00	5:25	10:49	10:44
January 6:	**Wed.**	5:50	6:12	11:43	11:40
January 7:	**Thur.**	6:38	7:00	. . .	12:32
January 8:	**Fri.**	7:25	7:48	12:32	1:17
January 9:	**Sat.**	8:12	8:37	1:21	2:04
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